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## PATENT APPLICATION

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116 **EXPEDITED PROCEDURE** TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 2136

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Masanori SATAKE et al.

Group Art Unit: 2136

Application No.: 10/653,191

Examiner:

C. JOHNSON

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APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR SECURELY REALIZING COOPERATIVE

**PROCESSING** 

## REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the February 2, 2007 Office Action, and in consideration of the March 22, 2007 personal interview with the Examiners, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks. Claims 1-16 are pending in this application.

Applicants appreciate the courtesies shown to Applicants' representative by Examiners Johnson and Moazzami, during the March 22 personal interview. Applicants' separate record of the substance of the personal interview is incorporated into the following remarks.

## The Claims are Definite I.

The Office Action, in paragraph 3, repeats the previous rejections of claims 2, 4, 7, 10 and 12-16 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph as being indefinite. This rejection is respectfully traversed.